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AMENDMENT "B"

Sir:

The three (3) month response period for the outstanding Office action dated January 13, 2004 expired on April 13, 2004. Applicant hereby petitions and requests for a two (2) month extension of time to extend the response period from April 13, 2004 through June 13, 2004. A check in the amount of \$420 is enclosed to cover this fee.

In response to the Office action of January 13, 2004 (paper no. 5) and the personal interview conducted on May 11, 2004 (summarized on paper no. 6), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

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